

**RESOLUTION OF THE 50 STATE BROADCASTERS ASSOCIATIONS,
INCLUDING THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF
PUERTO RICO, IN SUPPORT OF THE AM RADIO FOR EVERY VEHICLE ACT**

Whereas there are approximately 4,500 AM radio stations across the U.S., with signals that reach farther than any other;

Whereas over 80 million Americans tune into free, local AM radio stations each month for news, sports and entertainment;

Whereas AM radio serves as the backbone of the Emergency Alert System, which warns the public of pending danger and is therefore a critical source of information in times of crisis;

Whereas AM radio stations play a crucial role serving as the vast majority of Primary Entry Points (PEPs) across the country, designated radio stations whose signals cover 90% of the American population and have a direct connection to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the National Weather Service (NWS);

Whereas FEMA relies on AM radio stations to ensure the president can communicate to Americans when major public safety or national security events occur, and has invested tens of millions of dollars to “harden” these radio stations to withstand “All Hazards” (including chemical, biological, radiological, high-altitude electro-magnetic pulse and nuclear attacks);

Whereas, according to FEMA, these hardened stations provide the nation’s “last resort mass communications capabilities under all conditions”;

Whereas FEMA further states, “In the aftermath of a national, catastrophic event ... broadcast radio may be the most effective method [of transmitting crucial information to the public] since it is possible that terrestrial Internet Protocol (IP) networks and other pathways could be inoperable, especially at ‘last mile’ delivery to the public”;

Whereas when power goes out and the internet goes down, radio remains the most resilient form of communication, especially in vehicles during power outages;

Whereas AM radio uniquely can reach listeners in a wide geographic area and is available in urban and rural areas, regardless of internet access and without paid subscriptions;

Whereas AM radio plays a vital role in serving minority, non-English-speaking and other underrepresented communities with free, in-language and religious programming;

Whereas AM radio is highly important to rural and farming communities, providing weather updates, crop reports and other information to farmers and ranchers;

Whereas removing AM radio from vehicles ignores the critical safety benefits of AM radio and would deprive many listeners of this life-saving emergency information and put public safety at risk;

Whereas including AM radio in electric vehicles is neither especially costly nor technically complex to achieve, as evidenced by the large number of electric vehicle manufacturers who continue to include AM radio in their vehicles;

Now, therefore, be it resolved this 31st day of May, 2023, by the broadcaster associations named below, representing all 50 States, the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, that Congress support the AM Radio for Every Vehicle Act (H.R. 3413 and S. 1669) to ensure continued consumer access to broadcast AM radio in all vehicles.



Alabama Broadcasters Association



Alaska Broadcasters Association



Arizona Broadcasters Association



Arkansas Broadcasters Association



California Broadcasters Association



Colorado Broadcasters Association



Connecticut Broadcasters Association



Florida Association of Broadcasters



Georgia Association of Broadcasters



Hawaii Association of Broadcasters



Idaho State Broadcasters Association



Illinois Broadcasters Association



Indiana Broadcasters Association



Iowa Broadcasters Association



Kansas Association of Broadcasters



Kentucky Broadcasters Association



Louisiana Association of Broadcasters



Maine Association of Broadcasters



Maryland/D.C./Delaware (MDCD) Broadcasters Association



Massachusetts Broadcasters Association



Michigan Association of Broadcasters



Minnesota Broadcasters Association



Mississippi Association of Broadcasters



Missouri Broadcasters Association



Montana Broadcasters Association



Nebraska Broadcasters Association



Nevada Broadcasters Association



New Hampshire Association of Broadcasters



New Jersey Broadcasters Association



New Mexico Broadcasters Association



New York State Broadcasters Association



North Carolina Association of Broadcasters



North Dakota Broadcasters Association



Ohio Association of Broadcasters



Oklahoma Association of Broadcasters



Oregon Association of Broadcasters



Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters



Radio Broadcasters Association of Puerto Rico



Rhode Island Broadcasters Association



South Carolina Broadcasters Association



South Dakota Broadcasters Association



Tennessee Association of Broadcasters



Texas Association of Broadcasters



Utah Broadcasters Association



Vermont Association of Broadcasters



Virginia Association of Broadcasters



Washington State Association of Broadcasters



West Virginia Broadcasters Association



**Wisconsin Broadcasters
Association**



**Wyoming Association of
Broadcasters**